

TEHAMA COUNTY FLOOD CONTROL AND WATER CONSERVATION DISTRICT



Board Chambers
Tehama County Board of Supervisors Chambers
727 Oak Street, Red Bluff, CA 96080
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AGENDA FOR MONDAY, NOVEMBER 18, 2024

10:00 AM

Chairperson: John Leach Vice-Chairperson: Matt Hansen
Directors: Candy Carlson, Bill Moule, Pati Nolen

Jim Simon, Executive Director; Justin Jenson, Deputy Director of Public Works-Water Resources; Nichole Bethurem, Administrative Assistant

This meeting conforms to the Brown Act Open Meeting Requirements, in that actions and deliberations of the Tehama County Flood Control and Water Conservation District Board of Directors, created to conduct the people's business are taken openly; and that the people remain fully informed about the conduct of its business. Any written materials related to an open session item on this agenda that are submitted to the Clerk less than 72 hours prior to this meeting, and that are not exempt from disclosure under the Public Records Act, will promptly be made available for public inspection at Tehama County Flood Control and Water Conservation District, 1509 Schwab Street, Red Bluff, CA 96080.

1. **Call to Order / Pledge of Allegiance / Introductions**

2. Public Comment

This time is set aside for citizens to address this Board on any item of interest to the public that is within the subject matter jurisdiction of this Board provided the matter is not on the agenda or pending before this Board. Each agenda item will have an opportunity for public comment at the time the item is called. Persons wishing to provide public comment are asked to address the Board from the podium. The Chair reserves the right to limit each speaker to three (3) minutes. Disclosure of the speaker’s identity is purely voluntary during the public comment period.

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(530) 212-8376, conference code 142001. Press 5* on your phone keypad to raise your hand to comment.

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MOU for California Olive Ranch Access to Surface Water Project **24-2068**

Attachments: MOU_CA Olive Ranch Project 1

Well Registration Mailer **24-2071**

Attachments: Well Registration Draft FAQ v3

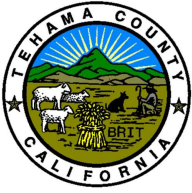
Corning Subbasin Open House 11/20/2024 at 6pm **24-2069**

Attachments: Corning_Subbasin_Open_House_Flyer_2024_11_20_

Board Matters

Adjourn

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Agenda Request Form

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MOU for California Olive Ranch Access to Surface Water Project

Requested Action(s)

Request authorization for Deputy Director Jenson to sign attached MOU

Financial Impact:

None

Background Information:

DWR Grant for Groundwater Sustainability implementation contains a funded project to work with Kirkwood Water District and the California Olive Ranch to gain access to surface water for irrigation purposes. Each gallon of surface water used is a direct reduction of groundwater pumped and adds surface water percolation for groundwater replenishment. This MOU is nonbinding and solely intended to show each parties commitment to get permitting and design in place at no cost to the District. Any Construction activities will be accompanied by required environmental documentation, legal review and landowner agreements that will be brought to the Board prior to initiating any permanent or binding activities.

MEMORANDUM OF UNDERSTANDING FOR THE PLANNING AND IMPLEMENTATION OF THE CALIFORNIA OLIVE RANCH RECHARGE PROJECT LOCATED IN THE CORNING SUBBASIN BETWEEN TEHAMA GROUNDWATER SUSTAINABILITY AGENCY, CALIFORNIA OLIVE RANCH, KIRKWOOD WATER DISTRICT, AND SOUTH AVENUE CORNING CA, LP WHICH IS FUNDED THROUGH THE CALIFORNIA DEPARTMENT OF WATER RESOURCES (DWR) SGMA IMPLEMENTATION ROUND 2 FUNDING PROGRAM

1. PURPOSE

The purpose of this MEMORANDUM OF UNDERSTANDING (MOU) is to document the mutual understanding of Tehama Groundwater Sustainability Agency (TGSA), California Olive Ranch, Kirkwood Water District and South Avenue Corning CA, LP, to plan and implement the California Olive Ranch Recharge Project (“Project”) to provide long term groundwater recharge benefits to the Corning Subbasin. Luhdorff & Scalmanini Consulting Engineers (LSCE) is the technical representative of TGSA. LSCE will lead the implementation the project on behalf of TGSA. The Project will be implemented consistent with the scope of work included in the Corning Subbasin GSP Projects and Management Actions Implementation Project.

2. GOAL

To plan and implement the California Olive Ranch Recharge Project (Project) collaboratively with the project partners with project delivery completed by March 31, 2026, in accordance with the Tehama GSA DWR Funding Agreement.

3. DEFINITIONS

DWR: California Department of Water Resources

Project Partners: TGSA, California Olive Ranch, South Avenue Corning CA, LP & Kirkwood Water District

Project Participants: TCCA, USBR

Technical Lead/TGSA Representative: Luhdorff & Scalmanini Consulting Engineers (LSCE)

SGMA: Sustainable Groundwater Management Act

TCCA: Tehama Colusa Canal Authority

Tehama GSA: Tehama Groundwater Sustainability Agency (TGSA)

USBR: United States Bureau of Reclamation

4. PROJECT PARTNERS

California Olive Ranch: The Project location where groundwater recharge is planned.

South Avenue Corning CA, LP: Landowner of project location

Kirkwood Water District: The Project partner who will hold the pump license and convey purchased water from the TCCA facility to the California Olive Ranch location for recharge purposes.

Tehama GSA: Lead GSA and funding agent for DWR Grant Agreement.

5. PROJECT PARTICIPANTS

USBR: Project Participant who will be the permitting entity to facilitate implementation of the California Olive Ranch Recharge Project.

TCCA: Participating agency who will be the entity operating the TCCA facility that would provide water to the California Olive Ranch location.

6. TECHNICAL LEAD

Luhdorff and Scalmanini Consulting Engineers: Technical representative of TGSA and lead consultant responsible for the planning and implementation of projects funded through the DWR Funding Agreement.

7. PROJECT SCOPE OF WORK/SCHEDULE/BUDGET

As an agent of TGSA, LSCE is responsible for the planning and implementation of the California Olive Ranch Recharge Project. See Exhibit A summarizing the project scope, schedule, and budget.

LSCE will lead the project working collaboratively with the project partners and participants.

8. MUTUAL UNDERSTANDINGS

Need For Memorandum of Understanding

To formalize the roles and responsibilities of each participant so that TGSA can complete the project successfully. DWR grant funds must be invested in a focused efficient manner as understood through the executed Memorandum of Understanding. This process creates the focus needed for successful project delivery.

Scope of the California Olive Ranch Recharge Project

The scope of the Project will be consistent with the scope of work included in the DWR funding application reflected in the DWR Grant Agreement. Any scope of work deviations or amendments must be made in consultation with LSCE and the TGSA, agreed to all by parties and authorized by DWR.

Geographical Scope of the Project

The geographical scope of the project is depicted in Exhibit B (area of planned recharge).

Governance

As the technical representative of TGSA, LSCE will be the lead consultant and responsible for project delivery in accordance with the DWR funding agreement. LSCE will lead the project collaboratively and ensure that the scope of work is delivered within the specified schedule and budget.

Term

June 15, 2024, through June 30, 2026

This term may be extended or renewed upon unanimous agreement between all project partners.

Cost Share

The Project costs will be funded 100% by DWR grant funds not-to-exceed \$230,000. There is no cost share required from the project partners and participants. Any project expenditure incurred by the participants that is not consistent with the Memorandum of Understanding will be the sole responsibility of the participant for covering those costs from their own budget.

Personnel

Each project participant will be responsible for providing their respective designated project representative who represents the interests of the participant and has the authority to participate in the project process.

Non-Binding Nature

This document and participation in the planning and implementation of the California Olive Ranch Recharge Project effort are nonbinding, and in no way suggest that project participants may not continue their own planning and implementation of projects.

Reports and Communication

As the technical representative for TGSA, LSCE is responsible for the planning and implementation of the California Olive Ranch Recharge Project. LSCE will establish regular project meetings with the project participants (mostly virtual, arranged by LSCE). LSCE will provide the participants with a project link to the LSCE website with meeting agendas, minutes, and other key project information. LSCE deliverables will be reviewed by the team and comments considered before finalizing deliverables.

Amendments

This Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) may be amended or modified only by a written agreement signed by all parties involved. Any changes to this MOU must be unanimously agreed upon by all project partners. No modification or amendment shall be effective unless it is documented in writing and executed by authorized representatives of each party.

Execution

This MOU may be executed in counterparts and the signed counterparts shall constitute a single instrument. The signatories to this MOU represent that they have the authority to bind their respective project participant to this MOU.

9. SIGNATORIES TO THE MEMORANDUM OF UNDERSTANDINGS.

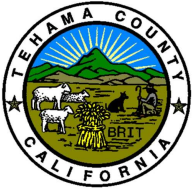
We the undersigned representatives of our respective project participants, acknowledge the above as our understanding of the planning and implementation of the California Olive Ranch Recharge Project for the benefit of the Corning Subbasin within the limitations of the DWR grant funding agreement.

Justin Jenson, Tehama GSA

Jim Lipman, California Olive Ranch

Darin Titus, Kirkwood Water District

Sebastian Silveira, South Avenue Corning CA, LP



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Well Registration Mailer

Requested Action(s)

Approve the new FAQ sheets for the final Well Registration Mailer

Financial Impact:

No new impact

Background Information:

The fee in Resolution 9-2022 sunsets after the 2025 tax season. This will be the final form mailed before the fee expires. Attached is the updated FAQ sheet representing new round specific information, stating that the sunset of the fee does not eliminate the requirement to register, and clarifying potential consequences for failure to comply with the requirement to register.



Tehama County Groundwater Sustainability Agency Well Registration Program Frequently Asked Questions

On [June 20, 2022](#) the Tehama County Flood Control and Water Conservation District Board of Directors adopted [Resolution No. 9-2022](#) setting the annual fee of \$0.29 per acre to be charged by the Tehama County Groundwater Sustainability Agency (GSA) for the administrative costs of the Tehama County Groundwater Sustainability Agency Well Registration Program.

Well Registration Form and Process FAQs

Why am I receiving this form if my well was permitted at the time of drilling?

Tehama County does not have an accurate count of the number of wells (ag or domestic). Tehama County Environmental Health did not keep records with the necessary detail, nor were permits required, prior to 1985. State agencies involved in well installation have a similar lack of complete records; DWR estimates approximately 50% of all wells lack all or partial data.

Who is being sent this form?

This form is being sent to all property owners in Tehama County. Although many areas in the County are served by city water or a shared community well, there may be old wells still in existence on these properties.

The name or address on the envelope is incorrect; where did the GSA get this information?

The Assessors Role is used but is a live document. If you property changed hands recently the system may not have been updated when the information was used. The District uses a database as well, if the address is incorrect you may contact us to fix the issue in our system. The mailing list was exported from the Tehama County Assessor's Roll. If there is an issue to correct, please call Tehama County Assessor's Office at (530) 527-5931.

I already filled out a form, why did I receive another?

The most common reasons are:

- If you own more than one piece of property, your form may not have included all APNs. Each Form is specific to a parcel and each parcel requires registration.
- Information was missing from your form and we were not able to contact you for clarification.
- Your form may have been lost in the mail and never received by our office.

I haven't heard anything about this process. How can I receive information in the future?

The Tehama County GSA has an interested parties email list that is used to distribute Board and Commission agendas, newsletters, and public workshop announcements. You can sign up on our website at <https://tehamacountywater.org/gsa/> or by emailing tehamagsa@tcpw.ca.gov.

How can I get assistance with filling out the form?

GSA staff are available to help with well registration forms in-person or by phone, Monday – Thursday 8 AM – 4 PM. You can call 530-690-0700 or stop by our office at 1509 Schwab Street, Red Bluff.

We are located between the TRAX office and the Greenwaste office, behind the blue gate. There is an intercom/buzzer-Ring-doorbell or you can call the number on the gate.

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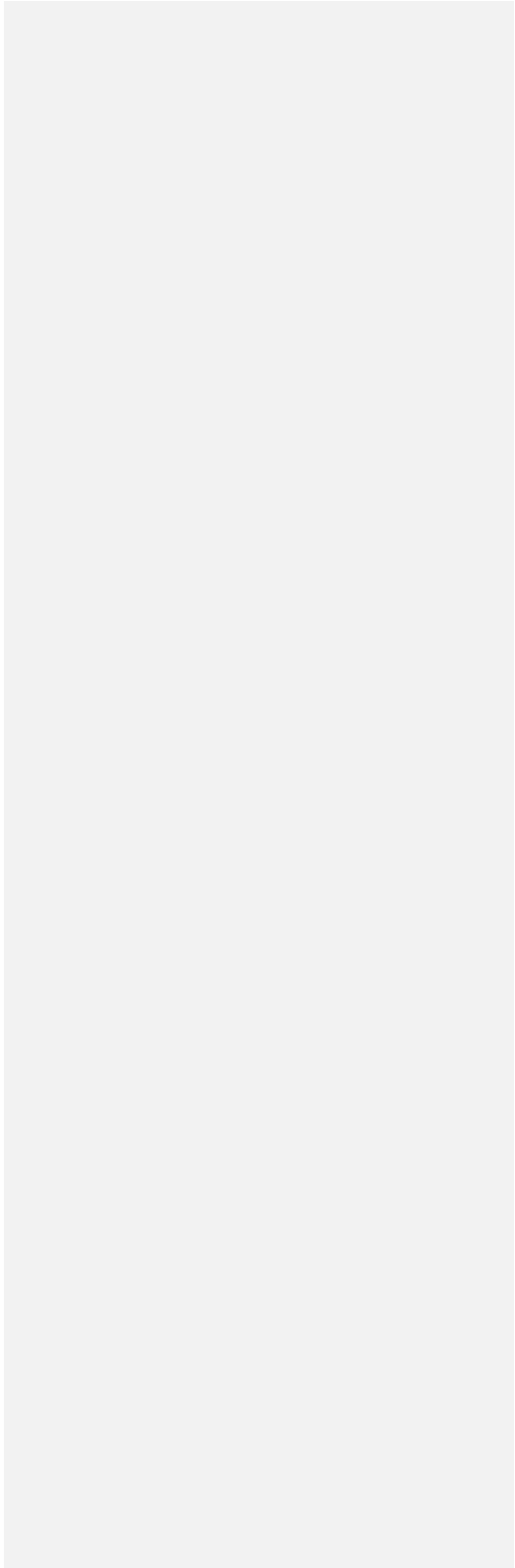


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Website



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Well Registration Program Fee FAQs

Who is being charged this fee?

The fee will be assessed to all landowners within the county with parcels large enough to cover the cost of placing the fee on the tax roll.

How long will the \$0.29/per acre fee be charged?

On [March 31, 2022](#) the Tehama County Flood Control and Water Conservation District Board of Directors (Board of Directors) accepted the fee for 3 years. If, at any time, well data collection is deemed sufficient the fee will be suspended or reviewed for necessary modification by the Board. [Unless the Board determines that further fees are necessary and extends it, 2025 will be the last year the fee is charged. The end of the fee does not remove your requirement to register. The District has the authority to issue fines for non compliance.](#)

~~On June 19, 2023 the Board of Directors adopted Resolution No. 3-2023 outlining the criteria under which the Groundwater Sustainability Executive may waive the fees for the well registration. For a property to be deemed compliant and eligible for a fee waiver, the property owner needs to provide the following:~~

- ~~• Well registration form must be submitted in person, by email through online registration, or postmarked by April 10 in the given year; and~~
- ~~• Well registration form must have the APN or address of the property that has a well or does not have a well, legibly defined so that there is no confusion as to where the well is located or what parcel claimed to have no well; and~~
- ~~• Well registration form must have identified the well use as either residential, agricultural, or other; and~~
- ~~• Parcels with well use identified as agricultural land must identify either well size and typical annual volume, or current crop type and acreage used for each crop identified; and~~
- ~~• Parcels with well use identified as other/combination must include a detailed description of what exactly the other/combination activity is.~~

How will these fees be used?

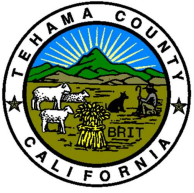
Fees collected will be used to fund the creation, implementation, and administration of a county-wide well registration program.

Will there be future fees after the well inventory is developed?

Yes. Data collected through the well registration program will be used to support the development of a well size/type based funding mechanism to provide long-term funding for the GSA. All properties that extract groundwater will be levied a fee. All future fees will be approved by the Tehama County Flood Control and Water Conservation District Board of Directors at public meetings, with opportunities for public comment.

What if I do not submit a well registration form?

After the initial data collection period, a long-term funding mechanism will be established. Those properties that have not responded will be charged an assumptive fee. This fee may be higher than a landowner would be charged if the form had been submitted. Additionally, the information is used to implement protections to groundwater access. An unknown well cannot be protected in the same way as a registered well. [The District has the authority to issue fines for non compliance.](#)



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Corning Subbasin Open House 11/20/2024 at 6pm

Requested Action(s)

Notice of opportunity for public participation

Financial Impact:

none

Background Information:

At 6pm on Wednesday November 20th, there will be an open house at the Corning Senior Center 1010 4th Ave, Corning CA 96021



SAVE THE DATE



TEHAMA COUNTY
FLOOD CONTROL AND WATER CONSERVATION DISTRICT

Corning Subbasin Open House

*Corning Subbasin Groundwater Sustainability Plan Implementation Updates
with a Focus on Addressing Data Gaps*

The Groundwater Sustainability Agencies (GSAs) in the Corning Subbasin invite you to attend an open house to hear updates about the implementation of the Corning Subbasin Groundwater Sustainability Plan (GSP).

This Open House will Cover:

- A review of groundwater conditions in the Subbasin, and content from the Revised GSP that was prepared in April,
- Information on remaining data gaps and how they are being addressed through enhanced monitoring and new wells,
- An overview of the upcoming, voluntary Community Domestic Monitoring Program,
- Resources to learn more about projects and management actions in progress, and
- Space to receive input and feedback from the public on all of the above.

Corning Senior Center

1015 4th Ave, Corning, CA 96021

November 20, 2024

6:00 PM – 7:30 PM

This will be an in-person open house with the option to listen in online.

Registration is not required, but for planning purposes it is encouraged.

RSVP here: <https://bit.ly/3U9lvzl>

Updates and meeting materials will be posted to **TehamaCountyWater.org** and **CountyofGlenn.net/Corning-Sub-basin-GSA**

Si se necesita los servicios de traducción para asistir al evento, o para llenar el formulario de registro de pozo, comuníquese con marisa.perez-reyes@stantec.com antes del 31 de Octubre.



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